**Unit 1 Social Studies Test**

**Exploration and Colonization of North America**

1. When the Europeans came west on their ships they were searching for.
2. Gold
3. Silver
4. Ivory
5. All of the above
6. When Christopher Columbus sailed west, what island did he discover?
7. When the Mayflower arrived in the New England Colony the people on the ship came to America because.
   1. They didn’t like England any more
   2. They wanted a better place to raise their children
   3. They wanted religious freedom
   4. They hated the King of England
8. What country did Columbus sail for?
   1. England
   2. Spain
   3. Norway
   4. Portugal
9. What disease caused the Taino Indians to die?
   1. Smallpox
   2. Yellow fever
   3. Overwork
   4. European exploration
10. What was the first crop that the Indians taught the Europeans to grow?
    1. Celery
    2. Carrots
    3. Squash
    4. Corn
11. What was the primary reason that the pilgrims in the New England Colony died when they arrived?
    1. The harsh winters killed them
    2. The Indian people killed them
    3. The bears killed them
    4. They killed each other
12. How did farming in the middle colonies affect the success of the colonial America?
13. John Smith had to make rules for the men of the Southern Colony. Why?
    1. He was a bossy man
    2. The men wanted to look for gold instead of planting crops
    3. They didn’t have wives
    4. The colony was too swampy
14. Explain why women were able to own property during colonial times.
15. Explain the difference between an indentured servant and a slave.
16. What is the name of the first governing document in America?
    1. The Iroquois Confederacy
    2. The US Constitution
    3. The Mayflower Compact
    4. The Declaration of Independence